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## BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL...5,000,000 Dollars; RESERVE FUND.....200,000 Dollars.

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—E. R. BELLION, Esq. Deputy Chairman—AD. ANDRE, Esq. J. F. CORDES, Esq. S. W. POMEROT, Esq. H. HOPPIUS, Esq. F. D. SAMHOON, Esq. A. McILVER, Esq.

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## HONGKONG.

### INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

### ON Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 per cent. " " " 12 " 6 per cent. " "

### LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Acting Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, November 2, 1877.

## Entertainments.

AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB OF HONGKONG.

THE MEMBERS of the above CLUB will give their Fourth Performance of the Season at the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, on MONDAY,

19th February, when will be presented the Popular Burlesque of "Aladdin or the Wonderful Scamp."

Doors Open at 8.30, Performance to Commence at Nine o'Clock.

Tickets may be had at MESSRS LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. on and after Wednesday, February 14th.

CHAS. C. COHEN, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 27, 1877.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from MESSRS HEDGE & CO., to sell by Public Auction on

MONDAY,

the 12th February, 1877, at 2 p.m., at their Office, Queen's Road.

The whole of their OFFICE FURNITURE, &c., comprising Desks, Chairs, Tables, Clocks, Letter Press, Inkstands, Stationery, &c., &c.

Legal and other Books.

A Collection of Charts.

One Miller's Patent Fire Resisting Safe, Measuring about 4 ft. 10 in. by 3 ft. 11 in. by 3 ft. 10 in.

One Large Copying Press.

One Platform Scale.

And,

One Gated House-boat, with Awning, Oars, Iron Davits, Falls, &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on the day of Sale.

Terms of Sale.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 9, 1877.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

M. R. FRITZ LANCKEN's Interest and Responsibility in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last.

WM. PUSTAU & CO. Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

### NOTICE.

THE Undermentioned Firm is This DAY DISSOLVED by consent. The Firm in Liquidation will be signed by Mr. J. A. FRASER in Japan, by Mr. E. G. LOW in Shanghai, and by Mr. T. G. LINERSDAD in Hongkong, or by any one of the Partners.

HEARD & CO. Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

### NOTICE.

M. R. FERNANDUS NISSEN has been compelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his interest and responsibility ceased on the 31st December last.

MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIESS has been authorised to sign for us by Procurator.

We have this day reopened a branch of our Firm at Canton.

SIEMSEN & CO. Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

### NOTICE.

WE have been appointed AGENTS for the AMERICAN SHIPMASTERS' ASSOCIATION.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO. Hongkong, February 2, 1877.

### NOTICE.

M. R. J. F. CORDES' Interest and Responsibility in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last.

WM. PUSTAU & CO. Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

### NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the name of MISTERNS & HULS has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.

WM. ORUICKSHANK, Manager. Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

### NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the name of MISTERNS & HULS has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.

C. J. MESTERN, W. HULSE. Hongkong, December 31, 1876.

### NOTICE.

M. R. H. EBELL has this Day been admitted a PARTNER in my Firm at SWATOW and HOIHOW, which in future will be carried on under the Name or Style of "HEBTON, EBELL & CO."

EDWARD BERTON. Swatow-Hoihow, January 1, 1877.

### NOTICE.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL EXHIBITION SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL FLOWER AND VEGETABLE SHOW will be held in the PUBLIC GARDENS on FRIDAY, the 16th, and SATURDAY, the 17th February.

Admission: First Day,.....\$1. Second Day,.....50 Cents.

Payment at the Gates, or Tickets may be had of MESSRS LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. Hongkong, February 6, 1877.

### NOTICE.

HONGKONG.

CHS. J. GAUPP & CO., WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS.

38, Queen's Road,

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,

CHRONOMETRES,

&c., &c., &c.

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

### NOTICE.

AH YON.

SHIPS' COMPRADORES AND STEVEDORES.

No. 57, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMANS' STORES

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

### NOTIFICATION.

A COPY of the JURY LIST for 1877 is posted at the Supreme Court House for inspection: Notice of any Inaccuracies, Omissions, Objections, &c., must be given to the Acting Registrar on or before TUESDAY, the Thirteenth day of February, 1877, in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Ordinance No. 11 of 1864.

F. S. HUFFAM, Acting Registrar.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877.

### NOTIFICATION.

FROM This Date the Office of this Agency is REMOVED to the Premises in the PRAYA CENTRAL lately occupied by MESSRS GILMAN & CO., next to MESSRS RUSSELL & CO.'s Building.

H. DU POUERY, Agent.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

### NOTIFICATION.

H. DU POUERY, Agent.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

## Intimations.

### MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

ARE NOW LANDED AN INVOICE OF

### ROUYER GUILLET & CO.'S CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India.

The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers

from Charente.

Qualities One \*\*, Two \*\*\*, Three \*\*\*\*, and Four \*\*\*\*\*, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

Also,

### POMMERY & GRENO'S

### "Extra Sec." CHAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

## Intimations.

### NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal Svo., pp. 202.—By EDWARD JOHN ETEL, Ph.D.

Tubingen.

Price: Two DOLLARS AND A HALF.

To be had from MESSRS LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Hongkong and Shanghai; and MESSRS KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

## NOTICE.

THE Office of the IMPERIAL RUSSIAN CONSULATE has This Day been REMOVED to PEDDAE'S HILL.

### By Order,

### LOUIS HAUSCHILD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877.

## NOTICE.

THE Office of the IMPERIAL GERMAN CONSULATE has This Day been REMOVED to PEDDAE'S HILL.

### By Order,

### LOUIS HAUSCHILD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877.

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## Notices to Consignees.

## NOTICE.

THE BRITISH SHIP TYBURNIA,  
FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MEYER & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the undermentioned Goods per British Ship *Tyburnia*, from London, are requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods, failing which they will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense by

MEYER & CO.,  
Agents.

White Stripes, 2103; Red Stripes, 7776  
—9378 bundles RAILROADS.  
Hongkong, February 5, 1877.

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BRITISH SHIP SARAH NICHOLSON,  
FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods, failing which they will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MELCHERS & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

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FROM LONDON, PENANG AND  
SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Cyphene* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary is given before 10 a.m. To-morrow.

Goods remaining in Godowns after the 18th Instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND  
SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Arayil*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Opium is deliverable from on Board.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 15th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

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FROM BUSHIRE, BANDER, ABABAS  
AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Gunga*, Captain A. GARCIAU, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

H. A. ASGAR & H. ESMAIL.

Hongkong, January 24, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUYEY,  
Agent.

Ex Mekong, December 29th, 1876.

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ESD 10 bags White Wax.

Ex Asia, January 11th, 1877.

THC No. 1/2, 2 cases Stores.

GD No. 1, 1 case Paper.

Ex Amakia, January 24th, 1877.

One 22c. box Sundries.

Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from A. G. Morris, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 18th February, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Residence, "Hermitage".

The whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising—Drawing, Dining, and Bed-room Suites, Tables, Chairs, Sofa, Mirror, Pictures, Sideboard, Crockery, Glass and Plated Ware, Bedsteads, Toilet Table, Wash-stands and Sets, &c., &c.

And,

One PIANO.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Wednesday, the 14th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 2, 1877.

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## To-day's Advertisements.

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## PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"MENZALEH,"

Comdt. PASCALINI, will be  
despatched for YOKOHAMA  
on SUNDAY, the 11th Instant, at Daylight.

H. DU POUYEY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, February 9, 1877.

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"TIGRE,"

Comdt. BRUNET, will be  
despatched for SHANGHAI  
on SUNDAY, the 11th Instant, at Noon.

H. DU POUYEY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, February 9, 1877.

## NOTICE.

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MARITIMES.

## PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

## S. S. TIGRE.

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"Euphrate,"

Comdt. BRUNET, will be  
despatched for SHANGHAI  
on SUNDAY, the 11th Instant, at Noon.

H. DU POUYEY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, February 9, 1877.

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MARITIMES.

## PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

## S. S. TIGRE.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The British steamer  
"Euphrate,"

from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary is given before 10 a.m. To-morrow.

Goods remaining in Godowns after the 18th Instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

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## CLEARED.

Christian, for Tientsin.  
Deutschland, for Tientsin.  
Morning Star, for Bangkok.  
Wodan, for Keeling.  
Cyprene, for Shanghai.  
Signal, for Whampoa.  
Madagascar, for Amoy.  
Achiles, for Singapore and London.

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Tigre*, from Hongkong; from Marcellus, Messrs Grossmann, Parquet, Hamon, and L. Hennequin; from Singapore

## HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY'S CONCERT.

In spite of the very excellent singing, especially in the solo by three of the lady performers, and the good quality of the instrumental music afforded, the concert of the Choral Society last night seemed to be wanting somewhat in "go." We must confess, however, that we can scarcely point out where the fault lay. Better singing than that furnished last night cannot be expected at any amateur concert; there was a splendid performance on the violin and another on the piano, and the choruses were also rendered in a manner very creditable to the Society; nevertheless, the entertainment seemed to drag a little occasionally. Perhaps this can be said more or less of all entertainments of this nature—concerts are rather "slow." His Excellency the Governor, Miss Kennedy, Sir John and Lady Smale, and most of the leading residents were present; the room was about three-parts filled. The first song, "A life that lives for you," and the trio, "Myneke van Dunck" were both well sung. In the first a little hardness could be noticed in some of the notes, probably through want of practice on the part of the singer. The voices in the trio harmonised very effectively, being well balanced. The first encore was obtained by the song, with violoncello obligato, "Orpheus with his Lute." It was splendidly rendered by the lady who sang for the first time before a Hongkong audience at the last concert of the Society, when she was most enthusiastically received. The obligato was, we understand, written by Mr. Sangster. In response to the encore, she favoured the audience with the fine old song "The last Rose of Summer," and received another enthusiastic burst of applause at its close. The merry strains in the solo and chorus, "With a laugh as we go round," were exceedingly enlivening. In the first part of the solo, the lady seemed somewhat out of voice, and the second part was much better rendered, and obtained for her another round of applause. The next encore was obtained, and deservedly so, in the barcarole, "Dormi pure." The lady who gave the song has a fine contralto voice and is evidently a finished singer. In response to the encore she gave a very pretty song, written we believe, by Mr. Sangster, entitled "Remembrance," with a violin obligato, also written by our popular organist. The violin solo "Oberlander" was rendered with great feeling and taste. The performer is a master, in every sense, of a very fine instrument. The song "My Queen" by another lady produced an encore, and, in our opinion, the second performance was far better than the first. In responding to the encore the lady gave "The Swallow" in a very pleasing and effective manner; in fact the song was in every way better adapted for her than the first. The quartette for piano, violin, viola and violoncello, "Grave and Allegro" was very well played, after the performers had settled to their work, but the violin was a little behind at the start. The last piece in the programme, a glee with solo—"The he be now a grey friar"—was a very excellent and pleasing performance. The solos were capitally rendered, and we were glad to notice that in this glee especially the alto exhibited a considerable improvement compared with their performances on other occasions. The National Anthem brought to a close what, so far as the quality of the vocal and instrumental music afforded, at least, is concerned, a very successful concert.

Police Intelligence.  
(Before James Russell, Esq.)  
9th February 1877.

"THE MIRROR OF JUSTICE." Mok A Cheuk, servant to Capt. Gamrell, Assistant Commissary, was charged with obtaining money under false pretences. The Complainant Lee A Ng, "a hawker," stated that he lived at Canton Bazaar. On the 24th December last he lost a quantity of clothing and some money, his box having been broken open during his absence from home. He offered a reward but could gain no information. On the 26th December, the defendant came to him and said he could find out by magic who stole the things, if the complainant would only give him \$3, and he would get his things back. The complainant believed him and gave him the \$3. The defendant got a basin of water and a looking glass. He put the glass into the water and he burned some paper. He then used some incantations and told complainant that he saw the thief in the glass; he was a man of about 30 or 40 years of age and wore a black coat and a pair of white trousers. The defendant asked the complainant to look into the glass, but he failed to see anything. The defendant burned some paper—presumably some charms—on the top of the water, and the smoke was reflected from the mirror. All the complainant could see was this smoke, but the defendant persisted in saying that he could see a man in the glass. Several tried to look, but could not see anything. The defendant then said that only children could see, and two children, one boy and one girl, both aged about 18 years, were brought to the test, but they could not see also; the girl afterwards, however, said she could see a man with a black coat and a pair of white trousers on. She said this after her eyes had been rubbed with some charmed water. The defendant said if the man would not give back the property in one week, he would return the complainant the \$3. Weeks had elapsed, but the stolen property was not forthcoming, and complainant went frequently to ask the defendant about it, when he put him off from day to day. At last he had to give him into custody—Yenni A Lin, a girl 12 years of age, was called. She said she saw a man who was wearing a black coat and white trousers, in the mirror. He was walking; he had a bundle in his hand, but had no umbrella nor a fan. From subsequent evidence, however, it turned out that this girl was a relation of the defendant. The Magistrate sent him to two months' hard labour, but Capt. Gamrell subsequently appeared and gave the defendant a *very good character*. He had been his

servant for four years, and was always found to be strictly honest and regular. The Magistrate took this into consideration and amended his decision, fining the defendant \$25, or in default 2 months' hard labour.

## LARCENY.

Mok A Pui, servant to Mr. Wotton, was again brought up to answer the charge of stealing a gold watch and chain with trinkets from Dr. Ayres on the 6th inst. Mr. Wotton was called to-day, and he said the defendant was his servant from the 6th July last, having been highly recommended. Witness made enquiries as to his antecedents and found that he was respectably connected and that he had served on board the *Princess Charlotte*, leaving only when his master, a doctor, was removed from this station. Witness had great confidence in him, and never took more than ordinary care of his money and jewellery. He frequently gave defendant money to pay small bills and had always found him correct. He paid him \$7 a month and would have given him an increase after the New year. The witness then gave an account of what took place at the time the robbery was discovered and what occurred afterwards. When he went up to his room after breakfast, he heard the sound of Chinese foot-steps in Dr. Ayres' room. Other evidence was called, amongst which was that given by Dr. Ayres' servant. He said the defendant had lost \$5 the evening before in gambling with himself and the other servants, that they were in the habit of visiting the Yuen Kee Club, of which the witness was a member, and the entrance fee was \$50, each. He joined some ten months ago and had paid his fifty dollars. He sometimes took the defendant there as a visitor, and a member could take any number of friends to the club. They had domino playing and card-playing there, but no fan-fan.

In the course of the trial, Mr. Wotton observed that owing to the respectability of the boys people, and his former good character, he did not wish to press the prosecution, and should be glad if the Magistrate would deal summarily with the case rather than send it to the Supreme Court.

The Magistrate said that he would consider Mr. Wotton's request when he had heard further evidence, but that in case the prisoner was convicted at the Supreme Court, he was certain to get a much heavier punishment than that the Police Court could inflict. In reference to the prosecution, Mr. Russell observed that lest there might be a wrong impression as to Dr. Ayres or Mr. Wotton prosecuting, he thought it right to state that once a case was in the hands of the Police, and evidence of a crime produced, the matter must be investigated and determined. The Crown was the prosecutor, and Dr. Ayres and Mr. Wotton were only witnesses. When it appeared necessary for the ends of justice that a witness should be called, the Magistrate was required to call him, and whether the parties who had suffered personal wrongs chose to appear and prosecute or not, if the administration of public justice required their attendance, why then they must attend and give evidence.

After further evidence, the defendant was sent to six months' hard labour.

## LENDING.

An Sang and three others, were again brought up before the Hon. C. May to answer the charge of burglary at Ping Chow, an island just outside the jurisdiction of Hongkong. A Chinese informer gave evidence to the effect that he lived in the same house at Saipingpoon with the prisoners and others. On the 22nd January last, he heard the 4th prisoner say in an undertone to those in the house, asking them to volunteer to go in an attacking expedition. Eleven men were only wanted and he asked those who wished to join to say so. The necessary number having been obtained, he lay before them a plan of attack on a house in Aberdeen, but after they had resolved on the scheme, one man came and accidentally knocked down the oil-lamp, and as this was considered a bad omen, the attack was abandoned. On the 28th January, the 4th prisoner made another proposition. It was to attack a house at Ping-chow. The eleven men went away and returned the next morning, carrying some bundles. The 4th prisoner was heard to say "all clothing and no money," and that if he had known that, he would not have made the attack. Hearing this, the informer left the house and informed the Police, but on their arrival, the house was found empty. Subsequently, through the instrumentality of the informer, the prisoners were arrested, some with property in their possession which had been identified by the owner. The prisoners were committed to gaol pending the orders of the Governor.

## THE HACAO BURGLARY.

Chan Aeo was again brought up to answer the charge of having committed a burglary and abduction in the house of one Chun Acheng at Macao, the Chinese Mandarins having applied for the prisoner's rendition. This was the same case where the complainant from Macao was afraid to prosecute for fear of the prisoner's connivance. Two witnesses were tendered by the Mandarin in charge of the case, and they were convicted prisoners at Canton who had confessed to the charge and who were only awaiting their execution. The first one, named Hung A Lin, said that although he had confessed to the charge, he was nevertheless innocent, and he only confessed because he was tortured. The other man named Cheang Aasi admitted that he was one of the burglars that attacked the house and that there were over 100 men in Macao engaged in robberies, and all of them were known to him. The prisoner was not one of them, nor was he one of those who committed the burglary. The prisoner was also committed to prison to await the orders of H. E. the Governor.

## SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.  
(Before His Honour Mr. Justice Snowdon.)

February 9, 1877.

In the case of Wong Lai & Wong Lam Kui, his Lordship delivered the following judgment to-day:—This action is brought to recover as is stated in the summons \$170, the value of a junk and other property, wrongfully detained by the defendants. The plaintiff's story is that being sold by a man named Chong Acheng that there was an old junk for sale at Chun Chuen; he went there and saw the junk and agreed with the man

shop to buy it for \$45, of which he paid \$30 on account, a receipt for which made out in his own name he produces. The defendant was a fellow-clerk, and coming from Shatow in Sun On, plaintiff had known him before, and describes him as a coolie and a street robber, and says that he had had his tail cut. This is so far true that about 11 years ago defendant was in gaol for stealing a jacket; and was put into prison, and it seems was working in a chain-gang and escaped, for which he was again imprisoned and flogged. Since that time he appears to have led an honest life and kept a stone boat. Under this not very favourable antecedents the plaintiff, as he says, employed defendant to act for him in the purchase of this junk, and handed him \$140 to get the junk repaired and properly equipped. This large sum, far beyond what was required for the necessary repairs and for which no receipt was taken, was paid to the defendant in the junk of Wong Acheng, plaintiff's witness who also lives at Shatow, and occasionally charts a junk to trade to Chun Chuen and back. This was the only occasion on which the plaintiff had taken a passage in Wong Acheng's boat. Plaintiff says he borrowed the \$140 from Leong Aning at Canton, who is not a witness. Plaintiff went back to his home and was absent from the 24th to 26th October getting this money. On the 26th he went away to his native place to raise more money to get cargo; he arrived on the 26th, stayed there until November 8th, when he returned to Chun Chuen and found the junk and the defendant gone. He had since that time been looking for them, and found them on Jan 22nd at Hongkong. He demanded the junk of the defendant, who refused to give it up and he got a warrant and seized the junk. Wong Acheng confirms him as to his passage to the junk of the defendant. He also swears he saw plaintiff buy the Fung Yung shop for the junk \$30 and identified the receipt. The defendant's story is entirely contradictory. He says he was told of the old junk for sale by the plaintiff, who said the price was \$80. He refused to give so much, and after going to Chun Chuen to see the junk with the plaintiff sent him up to Chun Chien to buy it for \$45 which he handed to him, and took the precaution of sending with him a man named Chong-a-Tai. They went up, Chong-a-Tai says, and agreed for the purchase of the junk for \$45 of which he paid \$30 only to the Fung Yung people who gave him the receipt he produces. This was on October 23rd or 24th defendant had previously on October 11th or 12th been to Chun Yuen to see the junk. On the 24th October he went again, having had a letter from Chong Tai, Chong Tai says the plaintiff had then left, and he never saw him afterwards until January here. The plaintiff swears he never saw Chong Tai before that day, and denies that he ever went up to Canton with him in the Kukkiang. Chong-a-Tai swears that he saw defendant pay the Fung Yung the \$15 balance. To confirm this two receipts are put in, one given by the Fung Yung shop to the defendant dated 27th October, for the \$15 balance, without which they would not give up the boat, the other December 1st, given by the Wing Kee shop for Tls. 23.4.6 for repairing that very junk. These accounts completely confirm the statements of the defendant and his witness, but are not inconsistent with the plaintiff's story, because he says he left Chun Chuen October 26th and did not return until November 8th, as well as from natural causes, the ground extending thence to the Hollywood Road has become dangerous and insecure. His Majesty's Government has accordingly determined to resume and take possession of all that piece or parcel of the above-named lot, now unbuilt upon, after three months from present date, comprising an area of 9,200 super. feet or thereabout, for public purposes, unless at an extravagant outlay of money, and further excavations being likely to materially injure the Hollywood Road; the compensation I award, by virtue of the clause in your Lease of Exception and Reservation, immediately following the description of the piece or parcel of all that piece or parcel of the above-named lot, now unbuilt upon, after three months from present date, comprising an area of 9,200 super. feet or thereabout, for public purposes, unless at an extravagant outlay of money, and further excavations being likely to materially injure the Hollywood Road; the compensation I award, by virtue of the clause in your Lease of Exception and Reservation, immediately following the description of the piece or parcel of all that piece or parcel of the above-named lot, now unbuilt upon, after three months from present date, comprising an area of 9,200 super. feet or thereabout, for public purposes, unless at an extravagant outlay of money, and further excavations being likely to materially injure the Hollywood Road; 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